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## JUGGLING UNCLE SAM'S FUNDS.

The extraordinary juggling of Uncle Sam's funds which has been a leading characteristic of Secretary McAdoo's administration of the Treasury Department has been mercilessly exposed by ex-Senator Bourne, who, as he frankly explains, "is himself unable to solve the 'high finance' methods of Mr. McAdoo and was able to make them clear only with the aid of an expert accountant. The work of the accountant shows that the available cash in the treasury is actually \$3,517,000, in stead of \$109,000,000, as maintained by Mr. McAdoo. Twice during his two years' administration McAdoo has juggled the figures and changed the form of treasury statement to deceive the public as to the actual cash balance and to conceal the tremendous deficit which this administration is piling up. On March 5, 1913, the first day of this administration, the treasury balance was \$32,210,619. Had Mr. McAdoo not juggled the form of statement it would now show a balance of only \$3,500,000, and that is so rapidly diminishing that by the time Congress meets it doubtless will be nothing at all. It is not charged that Mr. McAdoo's present statements contain any literal falsehood, but it is a fact—and one which Mr. McAdoo can not deny—that the form of statement has been twice changed in order to deceive the public and to create the false impression that the balance in the treasury is now \$109,000,000. This has been accomplished by including in the general balance trust funds which have been and must, under the law, be set aside for specific purposes. It is precisely as if a man became manager of a business which had \$10,000 in cash in the bank and owed \$2,000 in debts, leaving a net working capital of \$8,000; as if he were trustee for a church fund of \$40,000 and, after two years of his management, he were to increase the debts to \$12,000, showing a deficit of \$4,000, but in making a statement to his creditors he said: 'Why, I have a balance in the bank of \$42,000,' counting in the fund, no part of which he could rightfully

use to pay the debts of the business. Mr. McAdoo has replied by saying that Senator Bourne's statement is "ridiculous," and that there is \$109,000,000 in the treasury, but he does not deny that if he had not pursued "high finance" methods to change the form of the treasury statement, it would have shown that the available balance of \$82,000,000 had been reduced to \$3,500,000.

When the worst comes we might turn our doctors and undertakers loose upon the enemy. They'll finish him and plant him and bob up serenely for the next round.

If seems to be difficult for the farmers to fit up their cow barns with new sanitary equipment, as it is taking all their money this year to build garages.

The high price of eggs again raises the question why more people don't keep hens. It is so easy for them to get their living on the neighbors' back yards.

President Wilson was greatly agitated when his automobile came near to running down a small boy. Alone in his class, by jinks!

A good man never has to tell others of it.

## Fun—Well Done

## Sharpening Himself.

When the train stopped at the little Southern station and the tourist from the North sauntered out and gazed curiously at a lean animal with scraggy bristles, which was rubbing itself against a scrub oak.

"What do you call that?" he asked curiously of a native.

"Razorback hawg, suh."

"What is he doing rubbing himself against that tree?"

"He's stropping himself, suh, just stropping his self."—Ladies' Home Journal.

## Just a Plain Commuter.

"Your honor," said the prisoner, "I am not a burglar. These jimnies and explosives found in my bag were not meant for dishonest purposes."

"Then why did you carry them with you?" asked the interested judge.

"I travel daily between my home in Swarthmore and the city," replied the prisoner, "and I use them to open the car windows."

Whereupon he was honorably discharged.—Philadelphia Ledger.



## EDITORIAL SIDELIGHTS

## The Hazards of Football

Every season at this time of year one used to read much about the perils of football. There was a chorus of attack on the slaughter of our college and high school innocents. The game was denounced as merely beefy and brutal.

One scarcely sees a line of that this fall. Yet there are always about the usual number of football accidents. In spite of attempts to open up the play, it will always be a game for strong boys, capable of giving and taking hard knocks.

Perhaps the European war has made up indifference to the chances of death and accident lying all around us. With thousands dying daily in the trenches, the sacrifice of a few tacklers and quarterbacks seems a mere incident. The intimate circle of friends may be indignant, but no popular feeling is aroused.

The long story of automobile accidents every day may be a factor. With father and mother doing forty miles an hour out on the motor road, they can't say about the son who risks having his spine snapped by a rough pen.

Swimming causes a hundred times more fatalities than football. But no one ever started a crusade against water sports.

The American people are a nation of chance takers. They hate to quit on anything on which their heart becomes set, and only in their cooler moments do they weigh chances. They dislike to admit in public that they are afraid of anything.

They would live just as happily as if they formed the daily habit of taking more careful precautions. Swimming, by beginners at least, could be protected by having regular provision of lifeguards. The motor roads could be made comparatively safe by a drastic enforcement of existing laws. Football might be remedied into the game as played in England, where accidents are comparatively few.

But efforts for such precautions are contrary to the national temperament. People who never had a serious accident are sustained by the cheerful optimism that nothing ever will happen.

## ITEMS FROM ALL AROUND

## Rare Bird.

(Danville Advocate.)

Mr. J. R. Arritt, who resides on the Stanford pike, on the Waters farm, captured under the corner of the barn yesterday a curious looking bird. It is about the size of a chicken hen, with a very sharp, long bill, and its feathers are brown, streaked with white and black, and its toes are about three inches long. He brought it to the Advocate office this morning, but those who looked at it were unable to name it.

## Plenty of Turkeys.

(Danville Advocate.)

W. M. Merriman, the hustling produce man of Moreland, received 1,500 turkeys for the Thanksgiving market Wednesday and Thursday of this week. He shipped them in two carloads straight through the Pittsburg, Pa. Mr. Merriman paid 16 cents a pound for them. His popular assistant, Clyde Nowl, says that the turkey crop is short this season in the West End, but that some extra fine birds are being brought in.

## Mouse Causes Trouble.

(Earlington Bee.)

A real live mouse almost broke up prayer meeting at the M. E. church, South, Wednesday evening by his determination to come out from under the piano, around which were seated the ladies who were in attendance, after the gentlemen who were present had tried in vain to keep the little house in his hiding place. It was then in order to prevent the meeting being abruptly broken up by a general stampede that Brother Grant arose and suggested that the ladies remove to the other side of the church.

## Great Tobacco Crop.

(Fulton Leader.)

It is said the tobacco crop this year is a record breaker. The value of the crop is not estimated, but is nearly a hundred million dollars. It was grown upon a little over 1,000,000 acres. General reports indicate the quality will be fair, but that taken as a whole the crop is light in texture and silky in appearance. There is very little of it low grade, although as a crop it will not average as good in quality as smaller crops have averaged.

Very little of the crop has been sold. This fall was far too dry for handling it in the barns, and, besides, the buyers are a little uncertain as to prices.

## DANGEROUS COLOR IS BLUE

Men Who Voyage Above the Earth Prefer Red for the Covering of Their Balloons.

In case you ever feel tempted to buy a balloon, don't buy a blue one. Red ones are the best. There is a scientific reason why. According to the researches of M. Reynaud, caoutchouc is strongly attracted by the ultra-violet rays from the mercury vapor lamp with a quartz tube, which is a powerful source of such rays. This fact has a practical bearing in connection with balloon envelopes which are treated with caoutchouc.

Aeronauts are familiar with the discovery that the envelopes suffer during ascensions, and this is explained by the greater effect of ultra-violet rays at high altitudes. Experiment had already led to using yellow coloring matter on the envelopes, and red balloons are sometimes seen, but never blue or violet. M. Reynaud considers that red is the best color to use, as it not only absorbs the ultra-violet rays, but also the blue rays, and these last are likely to share in the bad action of the sun's rays upon balloons.

Taylor, the indoor champion, will be seen in the Irish-American games at New York tonight. He was transferred from his Chicago club, but can compete for the New York club before March 1.

## A Penitentiary Bird.

(Todd County Progress.)

Mr. Lewis Chilton, of this city, expressed to his brother, Mr. John B. Chilton, warden of the Eddyville penitentiary, this week a fine bronze turkey gobbler for Thanksgiving. The bird weighed twenty-five pounds. The compliment is for the warden's own private Thanksgiving table, to be sure.

## Progress At Auburn.

(Auburn Standard.)

William P. Wheeler, in charge of the Union Cedar Company's interests in this city, stated to a Standard representative yesterday that the deal had been closed for the installation of a cedar mill in Auburn, to be located on the O. M. Crewdon lot, across the street from Wilson's coal yard. The machinery is of the highest grade.

## "Cancer" Was Fishbone.

(Estill Tribune.)

Abram Rucker, former citizen of Estill, now residing at Clay City, who has been suffering for the last year with what was supposed to be a cancer, obtained relief when his daughter, who was dressing a sore on his neck, extracted a fishbone. More than a year ago Mr. Rucker had a bone lodge in his throat while eating fish, but after obtaining temporary relief, gave no further thought to it. Mr. Rucker is 81 years of age and a Confederate veteran.

## Crowless Rooster.

(Henderson Gleaner.)

Chambers Farmer, president of the Henderson County Poultry Association, constantly directing his energies toward the betterment of Henderson county poultry, will soon being a novel experiment.

Having heard for many years continual complaint against the noisiness of the lusty rooster awakening sound sleepers during the first hint of dawn, he has set about to produce a crowless rooster.

There are seedless oranges, thought Mr. Farmer, why not crowless roosters.

So, according to his present plan, Mr. Farmer will at once begin experimenting on raising crowless roosters. He will select the quietest high cock-alorum in his flock and breed from him, selecting the quietest one in each generation until he has raised a breed of fowls that will be as quiet as John Lind, instead of following the example of Roosevelt and Billy Bryan.

## Sneezing as an Omen.

The only attention we pay to a sneeze at the present day is to endeavor to get rid of the chill which causes it; but a sneeze in the days of old Greece was a matter of great concern and import.

There was then a god of sneezing, and great undertakings would even be abandoned if a man sneezed at an inappropriate moment, the act being looked upon as the oracle of the gods.

A sneeze between midnight and noon was looked upon as a fortunate sign, but between noon and midnight it betokened great misfortune. To sneeze to your right was lucky; to the left unlucky. Two or four sneezes were lucky, one or three very unlucky and any undertaking in hand should if possible be abandoned; more than four sneezes did not count.

There is a saying in many parts of England today: "Once a wish, twice a kiss, three times a letter, four times something better." If people sneezed together it was a good sign, particularly if they happened to be discussing business.

The International Handicap at the St. Thomas Gun Club will be held next week, and promises to be the best trap shoot held by the Canadian organization.

The New York Yankees are going right ahead with the building of their new ball park, regardless of the Federal invasion.

## NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

November 27.

Hon. Alvey Augustus Adee, second assistant Secretary of State of the United States, the son of American diplomat relations, is 72 years old today. He recently completed his forty-fifth year in Uncle Sam's service, and next year will complete his thirtieth year in his present high office. It is claimed that he has as intimate a knowledge of American diplomacy as any man living or that ever lived. He grew up and grew old in his country's service. He knows the formula for the composition of every kind of state paper. He has written every kind of a treaty, convention and protocol. He is also recognized as a wit in Washington and is much sought after as a dinner guest. He is a gifted linguist and has written both prose and verse. Mr. Adee was born in Astoria, N. Y., on November 27, 1842, the son of a naval officer. His first appointment in the government service was a secretary of the legation at Madrid, when General Daniel E. Sickles was American minister there, in 1870. In 1878 he was chief of the diplomatic bureau, and he was made second assistant in 1886. He is a bachelor and his recreations are bicycling and canoeing.

Prof. Charles A. Beard, associate professor of politics at Columbia, is 41 years old today.

Captain Alfred William Meyer-Waldeck, former German commander at Klauachan, 51 today.

Hon. Edwin C. Burleigh, United States Senator from Maine, 72 years old today.

## THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

November 27.

S. B. C.—The poet Horace died. He refused all many honors from Augustus, and lived in retirement and study, free from the burdens of ambition.

1520—Magellan entered the Pacific ocean through the straits that bear his name. He called the new ocean Pacific because of the continuous fair weather.

1812—Russians continued to rout the French on their retreat from Moscow. Napoleon's troops were beset with cannon, bayonets, fire and water.

1841—First rotary printing press was used by the London Times.

1861—Excited meeting in Liverpool condemning outrage on British flag in the seizure of Mason and Slidell, Confederate commissioners.

1861—McTearan ordered observance of the Sabbath in all army camps.

1864—Five suspects arrested in New York in plot to burn the city, inspired by Confederate soldiers who had fled to Canada.

1894—Public execution abolished in Spain.

1898—American Ambassador Straus secured permits from the sultan to travel in Asia Minor.

1911—Archbishops Farley of New York, and O'Connell of Boston, made cardinals.

1912—Lord Haldane endorsed Monroe Doctrine in the Thanksgiving Day dinner in London.

1914—The War—Germans lose 33,000 men at Lodz, Poland. Austria admits evacuation of Czornowitz, in Bukovina. Artillery exchanges along western battle front. Russian advance on Cracow. Rebel leader Maritz is again defeated in South Africa and flees to German territory.

## SAVES DAUGHTER

Advice of Mother no Doubt Prevents Daughter's Untimely End.

Ready, Ky.—"I was not able to do anything for nearly six months," writes Mrs. Laura Bratcher, of this place, "and was down in bed for three months. I cannot tell you how I suffered with my head, and with nervousness and womanly troubles."

Our family doctor told my husband he could not do me any good, and he had to give it up. We tried another doctor, but he did not help me.

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